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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: SREF, CG

SUBJECT: US AID TO REFUGEES IN ZAIRE: THE RETURN OF NOEL

REF: KINSHASA 7261

1. D/HA CARLIN TELEPHONED UNHCR DEPUTY COMMISSIONER MACE TO EXPLORE REPORT THAT NOEL WAS BEING RETURNED TO KINSHASA. MACE CONFIRMED THAT NOEL WAS BEING RETURNED FOR A WHILE TO FINISH SOME PROJECTS AND PACK HIS BELONGINGS. CARLIN EXPLAINED THAT THE ELEMENTS OF THE USG CONCERNED WITH AID TO AFRICAN REFUGEES WOULD FIND NOEL'S REASSIGNMENT TO KINSHASA HARD TO UNDERSTAND IN VIEW OF HIS NON-PERFORMANCE AND OBSTRUCTION OF AID TO CABINDAN REFUGEES. SUCH AN ACTION BY UNHCR WOULD LOWER ITS CREDIBILITY AND REDUCE USG DESIRE TO OPERATE UNDER THE UNHCR AEGIS. MACE SAID THAT IN A RECENT
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CONSULTATION WITH HIGHER LEVEL UNHCR OFFICIALS, INCLUDING THE PRINCE, DISCUSSION HAD FOCUSSED ON FINDING A REPLACEMENT FOR NOEL. IN VIEW OF OUR EXPRESSED CONCERNS MACE FELT THAT THE SEARCH COULD BE EXPEDITED AND A REPLACEMENT FOUND, AFTER GIVING NOEL A SHORT TIME TO WIND UP HIS AFFAIRS.

2. REQUEST MISSION TO INFORM UNHCR THAT WE ARE NOW DRAWING UP PROPOSALS FOR DISBURSING MONIES FROM THE EMERGENCY RELIEF FUNDS TO TIDE OVER OPERATIONS BEFORE THE NEW FISCAL

YEAR. IF APPROVED AS PROPOSED, THIS WOULD INCLUDE CONTRIBUTION TO UNHCR APPEAL FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDS TO DEAL WITH THE RECENT INFLUX OF CABINDANS. WE WILL BE RELUCTANT TO PASS FUNDS TO UNHCR FOR THE CABINDAN OPERATION WHILE NOEL REMAINS IN KINSHASA. THUS, WE INTEND FOR NOW TO CONTINUE TO TURN TO THE VOLUNTARY AGENCIES ON THE SPOT FOR EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE TO THE CABINDANS. WE WOULD APPRECIATE THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE INFORMATION ON NOEL'S REPLACEMENT IN ORDER TO PLAN DURATION OF SUCH ARRANGEMENTS WITH THE VOLUNTARY AGENCIES. CHRISTOPHER

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